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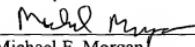
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(Amended) ~~The invention relates to a new~~<sup>A</sup> process for painting integrated automobile and commercial vehicle bodies or cabins which comprise plastic parts, ~~5~~ wherein ~~t~~<sup>The</sup> metal parts of the body-~~or~~-cabin are provided with an electrocoat and are integrated with the plastic parts ~~of the body or cabin~~. These plastic parts either already have an electrically conductive aqueous primer coat or an uncured electrically conductive aqueous primer film or are unpainted. ~~If none of these coats or films is present on the plastic parts, the surface of the integrated body or cabin is provided uniformly with an electrically conductive aqueous primer coat. Thereafter, after the electrically conductive aqueous primer coating has cured, or wet on wet, it is possible to apply a pale aqueous primer film and cure it alone or jointly with the electrically conductive aqueous primer film. If one film or coat of this kind is already present on the plastic parts, the surface of the integrated body or cabin is provided uniformly with a pale aqueous primer coat. Atop these primer systems, an aqueous basecoat film is applied and partially dried. Atop that there is applied, wet on wet, a clearcoat film, after which aqueous basecoat film and clearcoat film are jointly baked to give the novel multicoat color and/or effect paint system. Primers are applied to the metal and plastic parts. Atop the primers, a basecoat and a clearcoat are applied.~~

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment claims 19-36 are pending in the application. New claims 19-36 add no new matter, as these claims contain subject matter deleted from claims 1-18. There are two (2) independent claims and a total of eighteen (18) claims pending in the application. Applicants respectfully request entry of the preliminary amendment.

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